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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: F. BIOLLEY  
Serial No.: 09/471,501  
Filed: December 23, 1999  
For: HYBRID RISER OR PIPE FOR FLUID TRANSFER  
Group Art Unit: 3672  
Examiner: Pechhold, A.

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 6, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 5, 2002,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please Cancel Claim 8.

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Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

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1) ~~(three times amended) A pipe for great water depths (D)~~  
allowing transfer of a fluid between a floating support (1) and  
a point located below and at a distance from the water surface,  
characterized in that it comprises:

a continuously flexible riser part (7) connected, at one  
end, to the point located below the surface, and